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In the best companies. Insurance placed at  
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Piping and Steam Engine Repairing.  
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**Miscellaneous.**

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Decorating to order and decorated China  
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Manufacturer of Water Tubs  
or stock, Draw Tubs and Holders for Sap,  
scalding Tubs, etc.  
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Cut Flowers and Floral Designs  
For sale at all seasons of the year on short  
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No Collection, No Charge.  
Music Hall, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

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Watchmaking, Pharmacy, Optical Work,  
Drugs, Medicines, Watches, Silverware.

**NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.**

Dog Lost.  
Babyland Free.  
Can You Think?  
Horses at Auction.  
Girl Wanted—B. P. Allen.  
House for Sale or to Rent.  
Merchants Bank Meeting.  
Harpers' Bazaar for 1897.  
Club Rates—C. E. Stevens.  
Holiday Plants and Flowers.  
First National Bank Meeting.  
For the Holidays—P. O. Clark.  
Tenement to Rent—P. L. Pierce.  
California Farm Lands for Sale.  
Holiday Goods—Pint Brothers.  
Family Tea—Charles G. Healey.  
Girl wanted at 64 Summer street.  
Holiday Greetings—E. N. Randall.  
It Will Pay—Charles E. Simanton.  
California National Bank Meeting.  
Books, Stationery—A. D. Kowal Co.  
Prescriptions—Boynton & Eastman.  
Free Magazines—Stevens & Eldridge.  
Deep Cuts for Cash—S. A. Moore & Co.  
John Peck's Best—Commissioners' Notice.  
C. P. Hatch's List—Commissioners' Notice.  
Money in the Bank—National Life Ins. Co.

**Knights of Honor, No. 918.**  
Meet second and fourth Tuesday in each  
month in G. A. R. Hall.  
N. M. JOHNSON, Dictator.

**WEATHER RECORD.**  
At Bingham's Drug Store, for the week  
ending December 9, 1896.

	Highest	Lowest
Thursday	17	5
Friday	27	9
Saturday	37	27
Sunday	42	29
Monday	35	28
Tuesday	30	12
Wednesday	34	29

**LOCAL GATHERINGS.**

—Prof. C. H. Cook, the oculist, will re-  
main at the Cottage Hotel through next  
week, where he may be consulted if any time.

—They are busy at the electric light  
station getting ready for steam power.  
The boilers are in and the second engine  
has arrived.

—Harry B. Carr has most suggestive  
holiday windows effectively trimmed  
with evergreen and his store is well filled  
with Christmas goods.

—Remember the fireman's ball this  
evening. If you don't dance go and hear  
a fine concert from 8 to 9, given by the  
American orchestra of Lowell, Mass.

—Merchants are all busy unpacking  
and putting Christmas goods on display.  
A glance through our advertising col-  
umns will reveal numerous bargains.

—Joseph Gouche, near East Barnet,  
will sell his live stock, household fur-  
niture, etc., at auction next Thursday at 1  
p. m. R. B. Gammell will do the talking.

—Miss J. A. Bailey has a very attrac-  
tive window in her millinery store this  
week, the shades of purple and yellow  
paper making a very effective decoration.

—Dr. J. H. Gingsras, the Laconia oculist  
who was advertised to be at the St.  
Johnsbury House this week, was unable  
to keep his appointment on account of  
illness.

—A citizens' caucus to nominate offi-  
cers to be elected at the annual village  
meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 6, will be  
held in the Town Hall on Tuesday even-  
ing, Dec. 22.

—L. J. Eldridge, agent of the Connecti-  
cut General Life Insurance Co., has been  
distributing some fine calendars to policy  
holders and prospective ones the past  
week. There are two designs, one a  
country church and the other a fishing  
scene.

—Cavanaugh Bros. will sell a carload  
of young horses at Bailey & Annis' sta-  
ble next Tuesday, the auction commencing  
at 11 o'clock. The horses were raised  
in Iowa and will be sold to the highest  
bidder.

—The Golden Cross Commandery gave  
a pleasant entertainment in Pythian hall  
last Friday evening. The autograph  
quilt, in which each member of the com-  
mandery had a square containing their  
name, went to Mrs. W. J. Ranney, who  
was the one among several candidates to  
receive the most votes. Ice cream and  
cake were served and music provided for  
a dance. About 200 were present.

—W. H. McElroy, one of the editors of  
the New York Tribune, will lecture in the  
Y. M. C. A. course on the evening of Feb.  
19. This is a postponement of the lec-  
ture which was to have been given on  
Nov. 20.

—Slighting has been good for a few  
days but more snow is needed to make it  
a permanent thing. Business demands  
slighting at this time of the year and  
with it the merchants will get a better  
holiday trade.

—The St. Johnsbury Aqueduct Com-  
pany's guaranteed bonds, advertised in  
our paper, are an unusually choice invest-  
ment, because perfectly sure. Treasurer  
Clark, of E. & T. Fairbanks & Co.,  
has but few of the issue left, a large  
part having been taken by trustees for  
trust funds.

—Boston Sunday Herald now arrive  
in town at about 3 p. m., Sundays, and  
are on sale for a few minutes at the sta-  
tion. The remainder of the day they can  
be obtained at W. A. Coggin & Co's,  
and at the St. Johnsbury House. Orders  
left at P. O. Clark's will be promptly  
attended to.

—The Summerville Ladies' whist club  
met with Miss Bertha Hovey Wednesday  
evening. The gentlemen were invited  
and a good time and whist was the pro-  
gramme of the evening. Obtaining part-  
ners by matching divided caricatures  
was an interesting feature and made con-  
siderable fun.

—A special meeting of Moose River  
lodge, No. 282, B. of L. F., will be held  
at 10 a. m., Dec. 13. Second Vice Grand  
Master Wilson will be present. All mem-  
bers of the B. L. E., O. R. C. and B. R. T.,  
are invited to be present at Old Fellows'  
hall at 230 p. m., to listen to an address  
by Mr. Wilson.

—At the dance given by the St. John-  
sbury orchestra in Stanley Opera House  
Saturday evening, Prof. Bonetto and wife  
gave an exhibition on the trapeze. They  
intended also to give some features on  
the slack wire but the apparatus was  
not on hand. Harry Perrigo gave an  
exhibition as trick bicyclist.

—A tenement back of the Randall  
block on Railroad street caught fire  
early last Friday morning and before the  
flames were extinguished the fire had  
burned through the partition. It was  
discovered just in time to prevent a serious  
blaze. The fire caught from some  
clothing that hung too near the stove.

—The Pastors' Congregational Club  
will hold its annual meeting with the  
North church on Forth Street, Mon-  
day, Dec. 21. This meeting was to have  
been held in Newbury, but owing to the  
illness of the pastor, Rev. J. L. Merrill,  
the place of meeting was changed to St.  
Johnsbury. The North church will serve  
the supper.

—Miles Mullen, a Lake road brake-  
man, fell from a freight car in the rail-  
road yard Tuesday morning just as the  
train was starting up. Mr. Mullen fell  
on the track behind the train and was  
taken to his home in Lunenburg this  
morning. The extent of his injuries is  
not known though no serious results are  
anticipated.

—A new sign over C. E. Simanton's  
store reminds one of the place to buy  
jewelry, watches, silverware, etc. Mr.  
Simanton has recently returned from  
market and his store is filled with a most  
desirable line of staple goods that will  
make the best of Christmas presents.  
This store has been for many years head-  
quarters for watches, fine jewelry and  
sterling goods and the new proprietor  
has added fine goods in every depart-  
ment until the assortment is now the  
best ever seen there.

—The third entertainment in the Y. M.  
C. A. lecture course comes this evening  
and is a lecture on "Japan, Old and New,"  
by Rev. Amory H. Bradford, D. D., pas-  
tor of the First Congregational church of  
Montclair, N. J., and one of the editors  
of "The Outlook." Dr. Bradford will  
give an interesting and eloquent account  
of the great facts of Japanese history  
and civilization. The prices of admission  
are only 25 and 35 cents. The lecture  
will be instructive throughout, will con-  
tain many thrilling incidents and will be  
exceedingly interesting.

**Advertised Letters.**—These are the  
advertised letters at the postoffice:

Miss Clara A. Chapman, Miss Lizzie  
Fairchild, Miss Flora E. Greene, Mrs.  
Sarah Hay, Mrs. W. D. Jay, Miss Ida  
M. Martin, Miss Amelia Moore, Mrs. E.  
J. Noyes, Mrs. W. W. Parsons, Mrs. A. B.  
Williams, Evely Duval, C. A. Hutchin-  
son, Ambrose P. McLaughlin, B. J. Rook.

**Railroad News.**—Payson Tucker has  
resigned as vice-president and general  
manager of the Maine Central railroad  
and George H. Evans of Boston succeeds  
him. Mr. Evans resigns as assistant  
general manager of the Boston & Maine  
to succeed Mr. Tucker, and Frank Barr,  
superintendent of the Worcester & Nashua  
division of the Boston & Maine, succeeds  
Mr. Evans.

**PERSONALS.**

A. W. Babcock is quite ill with the grip.  
Col. Henry W. Hall of Burlington was  
in town this week.

Frank Parlin was in Orleans county  
the first of the week on business.

John Corbett, clerk in Lougee Bros. &  
Smythe's, is out again after a short sick-  
ness.

Miss Lillie Tierney, who has been very  
low with typhoid fever, is slowly im-  
proving.

Mrs. Mabel Carpenter is assisting in  
F. O. Clark's bookstore during the holi-  
day rush.

Mrs. Ernest Bledgett has been seriously  
sick through the week and is still in a  
weak condition.

Mrs. Frank C. Batchelder left Wednes-  
day for Buckland, Conn., where she will  
spend the winter.

Mrs. J. Morrill and Mrs. Lindsay Mor-  
rill of Danville, P. Q., are visiting rela-  
tives in St. Johnsbury.

Alexander Dunnet has been assisting  
State's Attorney Pletwood the past  
week in the trial of some criminal cases  
in the Lunenburg county court.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hastings spent the  
first of the week in Boston. Mrs. Hast-  
ings goes from Boston to Huntington,  
Pa., where she will spend the winter.

F. C. Griswold of Hartford, Conn.,  
general superintendent of agencies of the  
Connecticut General Life Insurance Co.,  
is visiting L. J. Eldridge for a few days.

Mrs. Birney A. Robinson, who has been  
critically ill at her former home, "Brant-  
view," the past few weeks is slowly re-  
covering and her many friends hope for  
her speedy recovery.

Miss Annie Davis of the CALEDONIAN  
office is quite sick with typhoid fever.

Harland B. Howe, who is at his home in  
Lyndonville, is convalescing from the  
same disease and able to sit up a little.

Arthur, the five-year-old son of A.  
McCormick, died Sunday evening, after  
a ten-days' sickness with typhoid fever.  
His death is a severe blow to the parents.  
Funeral was held Tuesday morning.  
There were a number of beautiful floral  
offerings.

Charles S. Ward, a former St. John-  
sbury boy who is now secretary of the  
Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A., writes us that  
his association has received a legacy of  
\$10,000 from the will of Charles Shep-  
ard. The Grand Rapids association has  
over 1000 members and a building that  
cost \$100,000.

Loren W. Young, the oldest G. A. R.  
man in the state, celebrated his 93d  
birthday last Monday. His friends called  
in the afternoon from 2 till 5, and he was  
the recipient of numerous gifts, among  
them being an A. B. C. primer from Mrs.  
N. P. Bowman, his teacher in the "Dis-  
trict School," in which he took part a  
few years ago. He served in the late  
war as an ambulance driver, it being  
necessary to use a little prevarication  
and hair dye to pass the examination for  
enlistment as he was nearly 60 when he  
entered the service.

The Rockport, (Mass.) Review of the  
issue of Nov. 27, contains the following  
complimentary notice concerning a  
former St. Johnsbury boy:

"Mr. Frederick Hall made his first ap-  
pearance as a reader before the people of  
this town last night. His entrance was  
greeted with hearty applause to which  
he responded with a brief speech of ap-  
preciation. His first selection was of a  
tragic nature and showed his powers at  
their best. He responded to the hearty  
revel with a scene from 'Richard III.'  
which was also well received. His other  
numbers were of a lighter nature and  
showed a variety of talent unsurpassed.  
We wish Mr. Hall the best of success in  
his new work and hope we shall have  
the pleasure of hearing him again."

**The Woman's Club.**—The regular  
meeting of the Woman's Club was held  
in Pythian hall Monday afternoon, Dec. 7,  
with an attendance of above one hundred.  
After a short business session Mrs.  
Mary Mackinnon read a paper on Cur-  
rent Events. It gave an interesting and  
spicy review of the topics which had oc-  
cupied the attention of the public dur-  
ing the month of November.

The literary programme of the day was  
furnished by the committee on history  
and travel, Miss Mary Stone chairman.  
In the absence of Miss Stone, Mrs. Anne  
S. May, a member of the committee, was  
called to the chair, and introduced the  
speakers. A paper on "Historic Ver-  
mont," by Mrs. Sarah B. French, re-  
viewed the history of the state from its  
settlement and colonization. It dwelt  
particularly upon the sturdy and heroic  
qualities of Vermont's sons and upon  
the great number of influential men  
whom the state has sent out into pub-  
lic life. Miss Mabel Carpenter, in an ex-  
cellent paper entitled "A Talk through a  
Thrum Window into Drumhanty," de-  
scribed the peculiar Scottish scenery and  
home life endeared to all readers of the  
Barrie and Maclaren. "Myths," their  
origin and development and their rela-  
tion to our current fable tales, was  
the subject of a talk by Wendell P. Staf-  
ford. The substance of this talk and  
the style in which it was delivered re-  
ndered it both instructive and interesting.

**Getting Ready for Business.**—The  
incorporators of the St. Johnsbury Mu-  
tual Fire Insurance company met at the  
Citizens bank on Tuesday afternoon to  
discuss matters pertaining to the orga-  
nization of the company. A temporary or-  
ganization was effected by electing Judge  
Walter P. Smith chairman and A. B.  
Noyes clerk. It was expected that John  
H. Senter of the Union Mutual company  
at Montpelier would be present to tell  
the incorporators about mutual compa-  
nies, but owing to his absence no busi-  
ness was transacted and the meeting ad-  
journed, subject to the call of the secre-  
tary.

**A Genuine Surprise.**—Friends of T.  
H. Lyster from the Baptist church, to  
the number of about 100, on the invita-  
tion of Mrs. Lyster, invaded his home  
in Waterford Tuesday evening to cele-  
brate his 47th birthday. He was enticed  
from home in the afternoon by one of his  
neighbors on a cattle buying trip, and on  
his return, about 7:30, he found his  
home filled with teams and his house  
with friends, and the latter gave him a  
very enthusiastic reception. The Ladies'  
Aid society of the church served a fine  
supper, and the remainder of the evening  
was spent with music and games by the  
young people until a late hour. The  
ladies presented Mr. Lyster with "The  
Longfellow Birthday Book" and one of  
Cooper's stories. About \$10 was added  
to the treasury of the society.

**Grange Notes.**—At the annual meet-  
ing of Green Mountain Grange, No. 1,  
last Saturday evening the following offi-  
cers were elected:

Master, A. F. Lawrence.  
Overseer, E. A. Gray.  
Lecturer, Mrs. P. C. Houghton.  
Steward, Arthur Olcott.  
Assistant Steward, L. W. Gray.  
Chaplain, Mrs. J. M. Dana.  
Treasurer, E. P. Allen.  
Secretary, Mrs. A. F. Lawrence.  
Gate Keeper, Fred Houghton.  
Pomona, Mrs. Ida Farnham.  
Flora, Mrs. E. A. Gray.  
Ceres, Mrs. C. G. Salmon.  
Lady A., Steward, Mrs. E. M. Kedney.  
Organist, Stella Allen.

The State Grange held their annual  
session in Burlington this week, Charles  
J. Bell of Walden, State Master presiding.  
The St. Johnsbury Granges were rep-  
resented by A. F. Lawrence and wife, T. B.  
Willey, Joseph Ranney, E. H. Hallett and  
wife, Jesse Gage and wife and the follow-  
ing from Wheelock: H. M. Park, Ethel  
M. Park, W. L. Park and wife.

**Virgil.**—"Virgil's Æneid—the Odyssey  
of Travel and the Iliad of War"—edited  
by David Y. Comstock, M. A., Principal  
of St. Johnsbury Academy.

The above from the title page of a text  
book recently published which, besides  
being of local interest, opens the way to  
a very interesting volume, containing  
full notes, vocabulary, a very fine map  
and photographs of classic statuary.  
The introduction has brief chapters on  
such topics as epic poetry, prosody, style,  
mythology, Virgil's reputation as a poet  
and his influence on modern poetry; also  
hints on translating poetry and a list of  
authors for supplementary reading. This  
book will not only displace those in use  
at the Academy, but pupils beginning  
Virgil hereafter will have the pleasure of  
using a very attractive text-book, one  
that has already received many compli-  
ments from experienced teachers and col-  
lege professors. It is of interest to us  
to see the name of St. Johnsbury Academy  
on the title page.

**A New Industry.**—J. A. Dexter has  
nearly completed a two-story building,  
30x40, on the life addition, which will  
be used mainly as a storehouse for ma-  
sonry supplies. On the first floor is Mr.  
Dexter's office, 13x20. Next is a room  
conveniently arranged for mixing mor-  
tar and opening into it is the room for  
storing hair, sand and gravel. There is  
a convenient arrangement for dumping  
the sand and gravel from the car into  
the bins. The second story is used wholly  
for the storing of masonry supplies. In  
his office Mr. Dexter has set up three  
fire places, wood and coal, one of marble  
and two of about 25 different varieties  
of tile. The varieties of the tiling are  
beautiful, with colors to suit everyone.  
Besides wholesale bulk orders of masonry  
supplies, Mr. Dexter does all kinds of  
masonry work, gravel roofing and put-  
ting in fire places. He has just finished a  
job of roofing over a section of the new  
Avenue House block. At present he  
keeps five men busy and has had during  
the past month eight men employed. He  
now has men doing plastering, etc., on a  
large boarding house for a lumber camp  
in Lowelltown. Mr. Dexter was  
foreman for 14 years of the water, gas  
and masonry work of the Fairbanks  
company and has had experience which  
gives him a most thorough understanding  
of the business. Mr. Dexter is also  
agent for the famous Champion Evap-  
orator, manufactured by C. H. Grimm &  
Co. of Rutland.

**Another New Industry.**—It is with  
great pleasure that we are able to an-  
nounce to our readers that plans have  
been made for the establishment of an-  
other new industry in this town which  
cannot fail to benefit all concerned as  
well as all our townsmen. At a recent  
meeting of the directors of E. & T. Fair-  
banks & Co. it was decided to manufac-  
ture brass globe valves and the company  
will begin to manufacture there on a  
large scale the first of the year. Look-  
ing to this end, the company have been  
experimenting along this line through-  
out the year with the result that with machi-  
nery now in the factory valves were turned  
out equal in every respect to the standard  
makes. To manufacture these on the  
scale contemplated by the company will  
only require the addition of new machi-  
nery and a larger force of workmen.  
Having plenty of room for new business  
the company can complete with other  
firms already established without going  
to the expense of erecting new buildings  
or hiring any extra executive force. The  
company have branch houses in every  
prominent city in the world and their  
field is the world they can sell their new  
product anywhere in connection with  
their sales at little or no extra expense.  
We are sure that all will congratulate  
the company on their prospective in-  
creased business and wish the new in-  
dustry the success which has come to  
them in past years in the manufacture of  
standard valves.

**Christian Endeavor Convention.**—  
The Caledonia County Union of the Y.  
P. S. C. E. held their tenth semi-annual  
convention at the Free Baptist church at  
Lyndon Center on Monday and Tuesday  
of this week.

The session opened Monday afternoon  
with an interesting exercise by a train-  
ing class for Junior superintendents of  
Christian Endeavorers, conducted by  
Miss Cynthia Marvin, State Junior su-  
perintendent. The first topic considered  
was "The right and wrong way of or-  
ganizing Junior societies," by Miss Jennie  
Gale of Burke, followed by Mrs. G. W.  
Patterson of St. Johnsbury East on  
"How to make the pledge clear to all the  
children." Mrs. C. C. Trull of Lyndon then  
gave some good ideas on "The right and  
wrong way of securing attendance," and  
as the society of which Mrs. Trull is su-  
perintendent has an average attendance  
of 35 out of 37, she could speak from ex-  
perience. "The right and wrong way of  
securing attention" was next explained in  
a clear and attractive manner, by Miss  
Katherine Bingham of St. Johnsbury, and  
stencil plates arranged specially for the  
Endeavor topics were here introduced by  
Miss Marvin. Miss Edith Ranney of St.  
Johnsbury gave some very helpful words  
on "The right and wrong way of securing  
order."

The evening session Monday opened  
with a devotional meeting conducted by  
Rev. C. E. Tedford, followed by an ad-  
dress by Mrs. Ida V. Woodbury of Bos-  
ton, subject, "Red, Black and White,"  
after which a pleasant reception was  
given the delegates, speakers and visitors.

Tuesday's opening session began with  
a Bible study, Miss Jennie Gale and Rev.  
W. C. Clark of Keeler's Bay, both giving  
interesting and instructive talks, Miss  
Gale's being entitled "A letter from  
prison," and Mr. Clark's "How to de-  
velop efficient committees." Remarks  
were made by Rev. F. P. Lewis of Hard-  
wick, president of the C. E. Union, who  
proposed the plan of a "committee  
social." Miss Annie Adgate's paper on  
"Good literature committee" was full of  
interesting thoughts and Miss Luella  
Merrill of this town gave many present  
new ideas for the socials in her paper  
on "Some socials we have had." An  
hour was devoted to the Junior work,  
followed by a beautifully rendered mus-  
ical selection by the children of Lyndon's  
Junior society and reports were read from  
the Junior societies in the county, after  
which an address was given by Miss  
Marvin.

During the afternoon session a series  
of short talks on "The Higher Life" were  
given as follows: "The Pattern," Rev.  
G. C. Waterman, St. Johnsbury; second,  
"The Importance," Rev. J. W. Skinner,  
Passumpsic; third, "The Hydrances,"  
Rev. J. W. Burgen, Sutton; fourth, "The  
R-sults," Rev. W. C. Clark, Keeler's Bay.  
All these were scholarly productions,  
worthy of the character of the pattern  
presented, and showing careful prepara-  
tion on the part of those delivering them.

The Caledonia County Union honor  
was awarded to the Hardwick Christian  
Endeavor society for the largest at-  
tendance in proportion to the distance.

The officers elected for the ensuing year  
are as follows: President, Mrs. G. W.  
Patterson, East St. Johnsbury; vice  
president, Morris Bolton, St. Johnsbury;  
secretary and treasurer, Miss Helen  
Graves, St. Johnsbury; assistant secre-  
tary, Miss Edith Ranney, St. Johnsbury;  
supervisors Junior work, Mrs. E. By-  
ington, East Hardwick; press committee,  
W. H. Paris, E. C. Girard, Miss Mat-  
tacks, Lyndon; lookout committee, Miss  
Ole Forr, Hardwick, Mrs. A. F. Em-  
erson, South Wheelock, Miss Flora Cam-  
bell, Lyndon.

The organization now numbers 747  
members and is in a flourishing condi-  
tion throughout the county.

**THE SHOE FACTORY SCHEME.**  
What the Board of Trade Have Done and what  
the Citizens Propose to Do.

During the past week there has been  
lots of correspondence and meetings re-  
garding the proposed removal of the shoe  
factory of Amos T. Stocker from Lynn  
to St. Johnsbury and the whole af-  
fair culminated in a mass meeting held at  
Town Hall last night, when stock  
was subscribed for the new corporation,  
which will probably be called the St.  
Johnsbury Shoe Company.

Our readers have been kept informed of  
the progress of the scheme and they were  
told last week that O. S. Abbott had  
been sent by the Board of Trade to Lynn  
to look up Mr. Stocker and others and  
report at the next meeting. The month-  
ly meeting of the Board of Trade was  
held on Monday evening and Mr. Abbott  
presented the following report:

**TO THE ST. JOHNSBURY BOARD OF TRADE:**  
My investigation into the affairs of  
Amos T. Stocker of Lynn, Mass. relative  
to coming to St. Johnsbury for the pur-  
pose of manufacturing shoes, was very  
satisfactory to me. I find that Mr.  
Stocker has a reputation that is unques-  
tioned among the leading business men  
and shoe manufacturers of Lynn, as an  
honest, upright, square dealing man and  
a good money taker in his particular  
line. So far as I can find he is not mis-  
represented himself or his business to the  
people of this town. I find the larger  
part of his machinery in good condition.  
I find some stitching machines that are  
not up to date, but are in good working  
order. I am not an expert on those  
things, so will not undertake to explain  
to you very particularly in regard to them.

As to the value you can see by the  
schedule.

As I understand from Mr. Stocker, he  
does not put the machinery in at their  
cost or at a forced sale value, but at a  
fair valuation for the manufacturing of  
shoes. And in my judgment this is a fair  
and business-like way to do, as it is to  
be common stock.

As to the capital stock, I would sug-  
gest that it be \$30,000.

I interviewed several shoe manufactur-  
ers in regard to the matter and they all  
say the same. Start in a small way and  
work up, especially when you have all  
inexperienced workmen. They say it is  
not necessary to purchase a large lot of  
stock in advance, especially when the  
market is subject to such fluctuations as  
at the present time.

Increase your business and then in-  
crease your plant, which is a very easy  
thing to do should it prove a success.  
Should it prove a failure, the stock-  
holders would have lost less. This plant  
would have a capacity of fifteen cases, or  
900 pairs, per day, running on full time  
with about 100 operatives, divided at a  
ratio of about 60 women to 40 men.

Wages of operatives will be according  
to their ability to learn the business.

As regards the plant of Mr. Lowell, I  
do not see how it could be used here in  
connection with Mr. Stocker's.

A great part of the machinery would  
be useless in a life stock, as they are the  
same in the Stocker plant.

As regards this man Lowell, I was not  
able to find out anything about him but  
that would be satisfactory as a business man.  
His financial standing he would not  
make any report of, so concluded at  
once that he is not the man that we are  
looking for.

You will see by the schedule that he has  
a large lot of merchandise and stock on  
hand, and at prices that are very much  
in excess of the market today. I think it  
entirely useless to spend any time and  
money on Mr. Lowell. I am satisfied  
that with good management a small  
shoe industry would be profitable to the  
stockholders and give employment to  
our people who are looking for work.

On motion of Capt. E. L. Hovey it was  
voted that Mr. Stocker be invited to  
come to St. Johnsbury on Tuesday and  
efforts be made to draw up an agreement  
between the Board of Trade and Mr.  
Stocker looking to the establishment of  
the shoe factory here. The meeting then  
adjourned until Tuesday night, awaiting  
Mr. Stocker's arrival.

On Tuesday afternoon a special town  
meeting was held to vote on the ex-  
emption of taxes for ten years of any shoe  
factory that might be located in town  
within the year. Over 500 voters attend-  
ed the meeting and a resolution introduced  
by George H. Cross to adopt the  
article and exempt any shoe factory was  
adopted unanimously. The meeting ad-  
journed with much enthusiasm mani-  
fested for the new enterprise.

On Tuesday evening there was a good  
attendance at the Board of Trade rooms  
and Mr. Stocker was present. He told  
them what he wanted to do, why he  
wanted to remove from Lynn and what  
the prospects for success were in St. John-  
sbury.

The Board of Trade directors met with  
Mr. Stocker twice on Wednesday and on  
Wednesday evening an agreement was  
drawn up that was satisfactory to all  
parties interested and signed both by  
Mr. Stocker and the officers of the Board  
of Trade. The agreement provides that  
Mr. Stocker will put in his plant at an  
appraisal and take stock as compensa-  
tion. The new company will be man-  
aged by Mr. Stocker and the rest of the  
capital stock beyond the value of the  
plant is to be subscribed for by the citi-  
zens of St. Johnsbury. The capital of the  
new company is to be \$30,000 divided  
into shares of \$25 each.

President Mackinnon presided at the  
mass meeting at the Town Hall last  
night.

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